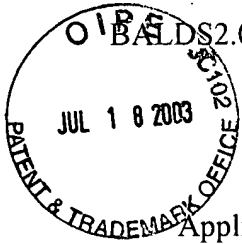


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Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed April 15, 2003, please amend the above-identified application as indicated below.